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Serial No.: 10/507,432 Examiner: L.S. CHOI

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OPTIONALLY MODIFIED ZIRCONIUM PHOSPHATE DISPERSED IN A
POLYMERIC MATRIX, METHOD FOR PREPARATION OF THE MEMBRANE
MATERIAL AND ITS USE

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Submitted herewith for filing in the U.S. Patent and
Trademark Office is the following:

- (1) Transmittal Letter; and
- (2) Response to Office Action Dated January 26, 2006.

The Commissioner is specifically authorized to charge any required fee deficiency under 37 CFR § 1.16 or 1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 14-0112 in connection with this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated January 26, 2006. The three month shortened statutory period for response expired on April 26, 2006. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

In view of the following amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the outstanding rejections and objections and allow all claims in the pending application.

Please amend the identified application, as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS: